

16th Judicial District Recovery Courts Report

July 25, 2016

- Attached to this report is the Drug Court, DUI Court, and Veterans Court statistics through June 30, 2016.
- Recovery Court served 135 total participants for FY2016, had 38 participants graduate the programs, 22 participants were terminated from the programs, collected approximately \$33,000 in program fees from the participants, and collected approximately \$84,000 in court costs and fines from the participants.
- It is anticipated in the coming weeks, that the Tennessee Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services will be increasing our Recovery Court contract for FY2017 to include funding for Veterans Treatment Court. This is great news and should be approximately \$70,000 in additional revenue for the Department. These funds can only be used for Veterans Treatment Court purposes, and I will likely be asking for additional positions in FY2017 in order to use those funds appropriately. I am anticipating on brining in a Veterans Treatment Court Case Manager full time, and if funding allows, hiring a fulltime or part-time Therapist with a background in PTSD and Trauma. Currently, Veterans Treatment Court does not have a full-time Case Manager assigned to that program, and I have been utilizing the County Veterans Service Officer for that purpose.
- Also, it is anticipated that the Tennessee Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services will be adding additional funding to our Recovery Court contract for FY2017 to include funding for Mental Health Court. It should be close to the same revenue for Veterans Treatment Court, and these funds will be used in conjunction with our Veterans Court Therapist in hopes of making it a fulltime position focusing on the areas of MH/PTSD/Trauma/Substance Abuse. In addition, this will allow for an additional Case Manager position to be hired to supervise the Mental Health Court participants.
- Attached to this report are the funding agreements from the Tennessee Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services related to SPOT and ADAT for the Recovery Courts Department. SPOT funding of \$7,000 and ADAT funding of \$5,000. There was a decrease in SPOT funding this year for all Recovery Courts and Treatment Programs throughout the State due to limited funds being available this fiscal year.